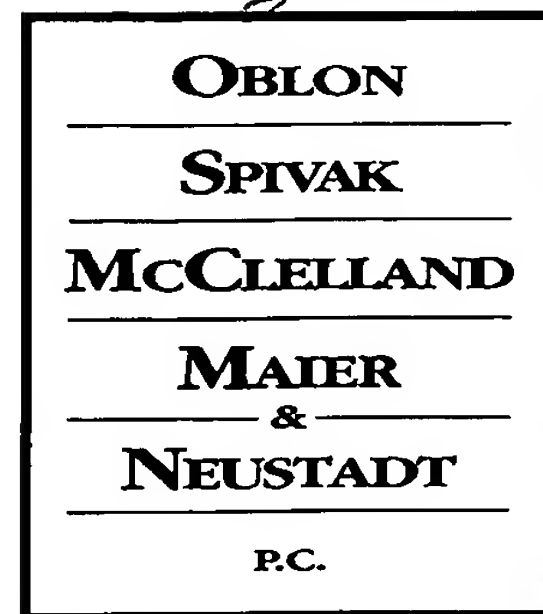




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Group Art Unit: 1625
Examiner: Celia C. Chang

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response to Restriction and Election of Species Requirement

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Respectfully submitted,

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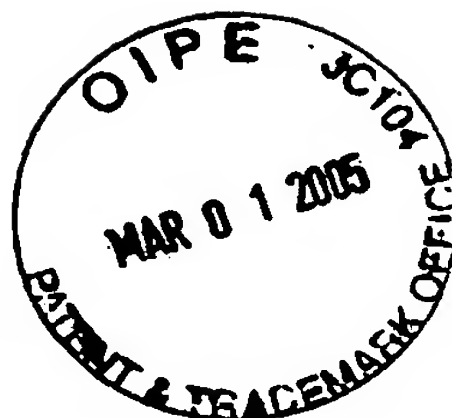
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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed February 4, 2005, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I: Claims 2-7, drawn to X is N, R3-R4 is ethylene compounds i.e., piperazines for examination. In addition, Applicants elect, with traverse, for search purposes only, the compound of Example 2 (page 32), 1-acetyl-4-(4-fluorophenylcarbamoyl)piperazine as a species for examination. Claims 1-9 and 11 read on the elected species.

REMARKS

The Examiner is requiring restriction of the above-identified application as follows:

Group I: Claims 2-7, drawn to X is N, R3-R4 is ethylene compounds i.e.,
piperazines;

Group II: Claim 4, drawn to X is CH, R3-R4 is ethylene;

Group III: Claims 1, 8, 9 and 11, when X is N and R3-R4 forms ring size is other
than ethylene, drawn to various core with two nitrogen ring compounds;